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BIG FRESH FISH FARE.

Many of Them at Boston Today Will Come Here.

There are several big fares of fresh fish at Boston today. Sch. Illinois, Capt. John Lowrie, is top liner with 150,000 pounds, sch. Natalie J. Nelson, Capt. Albert Larkin, has 140,000 pounds, sch. Raynish, Capt. Felix Hogan, has 105,000 pounds, sch. Mary E. Silveria, 100,000 pounds, sch. Arcadia, Capt. Geoffrey Thomas, 130,000 pounds, and sch. Harmony, 85,000 pounds.

The market is low and most of these crafts will bring their cod and some of their haddock here to split.

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QUICK WORK.

Sch. Kineo Gets \$2200 Stock on Two Weeks Trip.

Sch. Kineo, Capt. John Stream, which arrived here Saturday, weighed off 95,000 pounds of fish and 1000 pounds of halibut as the result of her two weeks trip to Georges. Of this fine fare, 72,000 pounds of the fresh fish were large cod, and besides this there 14,000 pounds of salt cod. The fine stock of \$2200 was made, the crew sharing \$66.40, a pretty big two weeks work. Capt. Stream came in Saturday morning, took out his whole trip and was settled up with his crew by 7 o'clock in the evening.

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Fisheries Company Incorporated.

The Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company of this city has been incorporated under the laws of Maine with a capital of \$2,000,000, with George H. Street of Boston and Walter L. Bigelow and Nathaniel U. Walker of Brookline named as promoters.

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To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, shore.
- Sch. Elsie F. Rowe, shore.
- Sch. Ida S. Brooks, shore.
- Sch. G. H. Pinkham, shore.

Today's Fish Market.

These prices are based on the last known sales.
Salt handline Georges codfish, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for medium.
Salt trawl Georges codfish, \$4.50 for large, 3.50 for medium.
Salt hake, \$1.00.
Salt haddock, \$1.50.
Salt cusk, \$2.25.
Salt trawl bank codfish, \$3.50 for large, \$3.00 for medium.
Newfoundland frozen herring for bait, \$3.00 per cwt.
Shore frozen herring, for bait, \$2.50 per cwt.
Splitting prices of fresh fish: Large Eastern cod, \$1.75; medium do., \$1.25; large Western cod, \$2.12 1-2; medium do., \$1.50; haddock, 85 cts.; cusk, \$1.25; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 65 cts.
Fresh halibut, 8 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. for gray.

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- Sch. Harmony, 55,000 haddock, 30,000 cod.
- Sch. Distant Shore, 1500 haddock, 900 cod.
- Sch. Ignatius Enos, 5,000 cod.
- Sch. Hope, 5,000 haddock, 1,000 cod.
- Sch. Lillian, 8,000 haddock, 8,000 cod, 5,000 cusk, 1,000 halibut.
- Sch. Raymah, 70,000 haddock, 35,000 c.d.
- Sch. Yakima, 20,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 12,000 hake, 15,000 cusk.
- Sch. Maryland, 45,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.
- Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 75,000 haddock, 65,000 cod.
- Sch. Acadia, 70,000 haddock, 60,000 cod.
- Sch. Albert Griger, 10,000 haddock, 7,000 cod.
- Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 8,000 haddock, 500 cod.
- Sch. John M. Keen, 18,000 haddock, 3,000 cod.
- Sch. Mary E. Silveria, 40,000 haddock, 60,000 cod.
- Sch. Valentina, 2,000 haddock, 19,000 cod.
- Sch. Almeida, 8000 haddock, 3500 cod.
- Sch. Galatea, 7000 haddock, 700 cod.
- Sch. Olivia Sears, 1000 cod.
- Sch. Emerald, 4000 haddock.
- Sch. Florida, 8000 haddock, 5000 cod.
- Haddock, \$1 to \$2.50; large cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50; market cod, \$1.05 to \$1.10; hake, \$2.50 to \$5; cusk, \$1.50 to \$2; halibut, 12c.

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ALL ENTHUSED.

Seiners Now Fitting and Sailing as Soon as Possible.

News of First Fare Landed Started Them All Up.

The news received by the TIMES and spread broadcast yesterday that Capt. Solomon Jacobs had landed fresh mackerel at Fortress Monroe had the effect of making a general hustle among all the seiners now getting ready here. This morning work started in with a rush, and vessels which were not expected to get ready quite so soon, had their men around and there was an air of business that meant get ready as soon as possible. Those crafts which were already fitting out had their gangs working at a double time gait, and on every hand there was evidence of the desire to get away as soon as possible. There is no doubt but what the news of Capt. Jacobs getting a school started them up in great shape.

This morning schs. Saladin and Ralph L. Hall got away, and this afternoon schs. Norma, Annie Greenlaw, Constellation, Lottie G. Merchant, Mary E. Harty, Lewis H. Giles and Claudia will go and perhaps a few others if they get ready in time.

From now on, there will be no delay, and the seiners will fit out and get away as soon as possible. The knowledge that mackerel have been seen and taken and that there seems to be quite a lot of them, as well as the most welcome news of all that the fish are not large, but medium, has caused all to have a desire to get out there as soon as possible.

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AFTER THREE WEEKS.

Otter Trawler Spray Reached T Wharf Yesterday.

Has 130,000 Pounds Fresh Fish, Her Largest Fare.

After being gone three weeks, the steam otter trawler Spray arrived at T wharf, Boston, yesterday afternoon with 130,000 pounds of fresh fish, the largest fare she has secured since last fall. When she started out, the Spray went to the eastward to Western Bank, looking for halibut, but the latter did not seem to snare, so haddock and cod were looked for.

While the Spray has been getting this fare, most of the big haddockers have made two trips, landing from 150,000 to 200,000 pounds each and stocking from \$2500 to \$3900. This the Spray will come a long way from netting.

During the past three weeks there have been more fish on Georges than at any time this season and the vessels have brought in their biggest fares of the year.

As stated in the TIMES some time ago, the Spray started to try for halibut this trip, and accordingly went down to the Gully and gave the trawl a trial there. The bottom was found too rough and no halibut rewarded their labors, and the craft came up on Western Bank and finished her trip by catching haddock.

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NO SPRING RUN.

Fresh Herring Have Not Yet Struck Boothbay Harbor.

Cold Storage Has Sold Whole of Its Big Stock.

The Boothbay Harbor, Me., Cold Storage Co. has sold the last of its bait herring, disposing of the last of it on Saturday. This cleans them up on bait herring for the season. Last fall and winter they took in 2560 barrels of herring, 90,000 pounds of which were sold for food and 530,000 pounds for bait. No spring herring have showed yet in the vicinity of Boothbay Harbor. Last year the spring run of herring began March 23 and for two weeks there was a great run.

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FRESH BAIT.

Herring and Alewives Were at Boston Yesterday.

John Nagle & Co. had 41 barrels of fresh herring and 40,000 fresh alewives in count at Boston yesterday, and they sold readily for bait. The herring were the first of the season.

Nagle & Co. have 49 barrels of fresh herring and plenty of fresh alewives at Boston today.

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Catching Codfish Through the Ice.

During the past week the catching of codfish under the ice created considerable interest among young and old at Humber Arm, Bay of Islands, N. F. All the way from Corner Brook to Meadows Point the jigger has been very much in evidence. A great many fish have been taken, and in some cases the fish were of a large size.

Herring Scarce at Bay of Islands.

Herring have become scarce again in Middle Arm, Bay Islands, N. F., the fish having moved out into the deep water during the late cold spurt. Nothing has been done with the herring fishery this winter at Woods Island or in Humber arm.

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SEAL FISHERY DANGERS.

St. Johns, April 3.—The sealers Adventure, with 31,000 seals, and Aurora, with 28,000 seals, arrived here last night. The former had her bows started and the latter's stern was crushed by contact with ice floes. They report that steamer Neptune has 60 men of her crew of 200 badly frostbitten. Other crews also suffered.

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Good Stock.

Sch. Oaato, Capt. Henry Larkin, stocked \$1880 as the result of her recent haddocking trip, the crew sharing \$50.

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Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, via Boston, 110,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Yakima, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Arcadia, via Boston, 100,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Illinois, via Boston, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Maryland, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Raymah, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Mary E. Silveira, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Natalie B. Nickerson, Boothbay Harbor, Me.

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Sch. Mertis H. Perry, 2500 haddock, 6000 cod.
Sch. Evangeline, 1500 cod.
Sch. Reliance, 1500 cod.
Sch. George H. Lube, 11,000 haddock, 4000 cod.
Sch. Manomet, 11,000 haddock, 500 cod.
Sch. Mary Cabral, 6000 haddock.
Sch. Bertha M. Bailey, 12,000 haddock, 500 cod.
Sch. Magnolia, 3500 cod.
Sch. Minerva, 1500 haddock, 19,000 cod.
Sch. Spray, 100,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 5000 lbs. flounders.
Sch. Maud F. Silva, 12,000 haddock, 3000 cod.
Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, 2500 haddock, 8000 cod.
Sch. M. Madeleine, 1200 haddock, 10,000 cod.
Sch. Angie Watson, 11,000 haddock, 3000 cod.
Sch. Buema, 12,000 haddock, 4000 cod.
Sch. Ida M. Silva, 3000 haddock, 2500 cod.
Sch. Catherine G. Howard, 25,000 haddock, 35,000 cod.
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, 4000 cod.
Haddock, \$1.25 to \$3; large cod, \$2.50; market cod, \$1.50; hake, \$3; cusk, \$2; pollock, \$4.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

The gasoline auxiliary sch. Natalie B. Nickerson, Capt. John S. Seavy, arrived here from Boothbay Harbor last night. She will go on the ways today and sail south seining Thursday.

Capt. Norman A. Ross will command sch. Selma in the southern mackerel seining fishery and will begin to fit her as soon as she arrives from her haddocking trip.

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A GREAT SURPRISE.

Steam Otter Trawler Spray Here This Morning.

BRINGS MOST OF FARE TO SPLIT

Had Many Visitors at Cunningham & Thompson's Wharf.

The steam otter trawler Spray, which arrived at Boston yesterday with a fare of 130,000 pounds of fresh fish, was unable to get all of trip out at T wharf on account of the dullness of the market, and was forced to bring about 90,000 pounds to this port to split.

The Spray came down last night and hauled in at Cunningham & Thompson's wharf, that firm buying the fare. This morning the craft was visited by hundreds, who went all over her and gave her a thorough inspection. The craft and everything about her is decidedly English.

It was a decided novelty to see the buckets of fish being hauled from the hold by steam power, but this is the way the Spray discharges a big winch near the main hatch doing the business.

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After taking out her fare, the craft will return to Boston and fit out for another trip. It seems to be the general opinion of the men of the Spray that she will continue with the otter trawl until summer, and that eventually she will be found in the halibut fishery on this or the Pacific coast.

The fact that the Spray had to come down here with the greater part of her fare and that the greater part of the stockholders are in the fish business on T wharf shows how dull the fresh fish market is at present. When she started [in] fall, those who were confident that she would be a success and run in a trip a week would have scoffed at the idea that before the winter was over, she would come to Gloucester with the biggest part of a fare to split.

The crew of the Spray have done pretty well. They are paid by the month, the compensation for the 30 days being \$50. All on board are on salary, so they have made a comfortable winter's work. It is understood that in this direction only has the Spray been a paying investment.

One thing which operates against her is the difference in the price of fish from the vessel here and in New England. Take a trip like the last one, 130,000 pounds. Here it excites little or no comment, being taking as a matter of course, but across the pond, it would have been an extraordinary haul, and on it the Spray would have stocked at least \$6000, and if she had struck a good market it would have been good for over \$8000. Here if she stocks \$1200 this time, she will get all there is in it.

The Spray had also a number of the curious cucumber fish which excited to much curiosity after her last trip. As on her former trips her nets were badly torn, and one of them was practically destroyed. Her fish were in much better condition than those she brought in on any other trip, the haddock showing but little scaling.

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FIRST FOR THE RIPS.

Sch. Olympia, Advance Guard of Fleet, Sails Today.

Sch. Olympia sailed Rips fishing this forenoon. She is the first vessel to sail for this branch of the fishery this season and is the advance guard of a big fleet of "drifters," many of whom are now fitting.

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Sch. Lorna Doone, Georges, 14,000 lbs. salt cod, 8000 lbs. fresh fish, 7000 lbs. halibut.

Steam Otter Trawler Spray, via Boston, 100,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Catherine G. Howard, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, shore.

Sch. Mineola, shore.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream, Georges, 20,000 lbs. salt cod, 10,000 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Paragon, Quero Bank, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish, 10,000 lbs. salt fish, 20,000 lbs. halibut.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Avalon, south seining.